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December 10, 2010

MEMORANDUM

TO:

THE COMMISSION

THROUGH:

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ACTING STAFF DIRECTOR

FROM:

PATRICIA CARMONA Defor PC

CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER

DEBBIE CHACONA-

ASSISTANT STAFF DIRECTOR REPORTS ANALYSIS DIVISION

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BY:

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COMPLIANCE BRANCH

SUBJECT:

REASON TO BELIEVE RECOMMENDATION – 2610 OCTOBER QUARTERLY REPORT (NON-ELECTION SENSITIVE) FOR THE

ADMINISTRATIVE FINE PROGRAM

Attached is a list of political committees and their treasurers who failed to file the 2010 October Quarterly Report in accordance with 2 U.S.C. 434(a). The October Quarterly Report was due on October 15, 2010.

The committees listed in the attached RTB Circulation Report either failed to file the report, filed the report more than five (5) days after the due date, or filed the report more than thirty (30) days after the due date (considered a non-filed report). In accordance with the schedule of civil money penalties for reports at 11 CFR 111.43, these committees should be assessed the civil money penalties highlighted on the attached circulation report.

Recommendation

- 1. Find reason to believe that the political committees and their treasurers listed on the RTB Circulation Report violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalties would be the amounts indicated on the RTB Circulation Report.
- 2. Send the appropriate letters.

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| Federal Election Report | Reason to Believe Circulation Report | 2010 OCTOBER QUARTERLY Not Election Sensitive 10/15/2010 H_S_P_UNAUTH

RTB Penalty	\$1,402	\$390	\$8,800	\$2,570	\$2,970		\$11,000	\$3,850	\$3,850	\$7,150	\$1,535	\$9,900	\$907	\$2,970		\$4,950		\$990
RTB	<u>~</u>	69	3	8	*	-	\$	3	**	- \$	\$	5	· ·	\$2		\$		4
LOA	\$51,704	\$44,000	\$330,242 (est)	\$51,165 (est)	\$62,597 (est)		\$254,324 (est)	\$84,068 (est)	\$88,366 (est)	\$249,429 (est)	\$112,696	\$402,456 (est)	\$60,174	\$73,884 (est)		\$116,338 (est)		\$25,582 (est)
Days Late	13	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	-	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	2	Not Filed	7	Not Filed		Not Filed		Not Filed
Receipt Date Days Late	10/28/2010	12/7/2010									10/22/2010		10/22/2010					
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Threshold	\$375,326	\$181,423	\$1,651,208	\$102,330	\$187,791		\$762,971	\$252,205	\$530,198	\$1,247,146	\$385,138	\$1,207,368	\$286,236	\$295,537	•	\$349,015		\$127,909
Treasurer	DAVID EVERETT MARKO	GLORIA	CAROL STANLEY- ROBBINS	BRUCE BLOCH	CLARK VANDEVENTER		DIERDRE K T	DEON LONG	JOHN B BARRETT	LARRY NELSON	ROSS PARKER BIELING	FRANK J DEMILO CPA	MARY LOU STUART	MARC MILLSAP		LLOYD COLONA	, <u> </u>	ROBERT PAUL LOWRY
Candidate Name	WILLIAMS, ANDRE LEWIS	CARLINEO, GLORIA	JACKSON, CHERYLE	FLUME, CHARLES WILLIAM SR.	VANDEVENTER, CLARK		SCOZZAFAVA, DIERDRE K	LONG, OMETRIAS DEON	KELSEY, RICHARD FRANKLIN	HASTERT, ETHAN ALLEN	BIELING, ROSS PARKER	HERRMANN, THOMAS A	FLEITMAN, JAY SCOTT	HOLT, JIM	_	POWELL, KEVIN		LOWRY, ROBERT PAUL
Committee Name	ANDRE WILLIAMS FOR CONGRESS	CARLINEO FOR CONGRESS	CHERYLE JACKSON FOR US SENATE	CHUCK FLUME FOR CONGRESS	CLARK VANDEVENTER FOR CONGRESS 2010		DEDE FOR CONGRESS INC	DEON LONG FOR CONGRESS	DICK KELSEY FOR CONGRESS	ETHAN HASTERT FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE	FRIENDS OF ROSS BIELING	HERRMANN FOR CONGRESS	JAY FLEITMAN FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE	JIM HOLT CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE		KEVIN POWELL FOR CONGRESS 2010		LOWRY FOR CONGRESS
Committee ID	C00458745	C00474049	C00463950	C00480434	C00477869		C00463976	C00465773	C00460220	C00463265	C00481184	C00479006	C00461970	C00473819		C00477703		2231 C00463273
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RTB Penalty	\$1,237	\$1,980	066\$	\$115	\$2,227	\$250	066\$	\$2,750		066\$	\$390	066\$	\$2,970	066\$	\$990	\$3,850	\$6,187	\$340	\$550	\$390	\$2,970	\$150	\$3,850
V OJ	\$57,453	\$33,155	\$34,594 (est)	\$3,344	\$48,012 (est)	\$34,665	\$33,765 (est)	\$87,347		\$30,236 (est)	\$33,729 (est)	\$27,498 (est)	\$68,403 (est)	\$39,273 (est)	\$35,241 (est)	\$89,070 (est)	\$104,415 (est)	\$42,982	\$19,501	\$32,468 (est)	\$67,682 (est)	\$16,581	\$93,277 (est)
Days Late	11	Not Filed	Not Filed	18	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	21		Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	7	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	8	Not Filed
Receipt Date	10/26/2010	12/3/2010		11/2/2010		11/17/2010		11/5/2010										10/22/2010	11/22/2010			10/23/2010	
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Threshold	\$184,913	\$223,336	\$103,782	\$100,517	\$288,073	\$152,791	\$101,296	\$258,044		\$151,182	\$101,188	\$137,491	\$273,613	\$157,091	\$176,204	\$356,280	\$417,659	\$8,068,867	\$1,107,167	\$129,870	\$135,364	\$131,829	\$466,383
Treasurer	BERNARD A BECKER	EDWARD LYNCH	KATHLEEN CARRELL FRENCH	BURKE, JENNIFER	MIKE GRAVEL	HON RD SNYDEN	STUART WAYNE MCMAHEN	SARAH ANNE LORANG		CAMELIA	TERRANCE BRADLEY	ITHIEL HARLEY THOMAS IV	MAUREEN	JAMES A LAMBERT	JUSTIN MOORE	CORY DICKSON	TIMOTHY J DAVIS	BOB BEERS	CHARLES R PARTLOW	THOMAS FREER	HARRY SKILTON	WILLIE "WILL" BOYD JR	KERLYNE COTARD
- Rock Candidate Name Sec.	MEURICE, LUIS	LYNCH, EDWARD J	FRENCH, MARK TODD	BURKE, MATTHEW	GRAVEL, MIKE	MORGAN, VINCENT SCOTT	MULLEN, WESLEY MARTIN	MYERS, TERRY LON		BRUTUS, PHILLIP J	LAKE, RICHARD DAVID GEORGE	TAYLOR, SCOTT W	WALLACE, SCOTT	SHADWICK, MONTE	GOLDSTEIN, SHELDON	SIAS, LANGHORNE C	SINGH, NAVRAJ	LOWDEN, SUE	WOOLRIDGE, TYMOTHE (TIM) LYNN	TORRES, ENRIQUE RAUL	WADE, KEVIN LYNN	BOYD, WILLIE WILL EUGENE JR	ROBERSON, YOLLY
corder Committee Name PV	CONGRESS COMMITTEE	LYNCH FOR CONGRESS	MARK FRENCH FOR CONGRESS	MATTHEW BURKE FOR CONGRESS	MIKE GRAVEL FOR PRESIDENT 2008	MORGAN FOR CONGRESS	MULLEN FOR CONGRESS	MYERS 4 CONGRESS		PHILLIP BRUTUS FOR CONGRESS	RICHARD LAKE FOR CONGRESS	SCOTT TAYLOR FOR CONGRESS	SCOTT WALLACE FOR US CONGRESS	SHADWICK FOR CONGRESS	SHELDON GOLDSTEIN FOR CONGRESS	SIAS FOR CONGRESS	SINGH FOR CONGRESS	SUE LOWDEN FOR U S SENATE	TIM WOOLDRIDGE FOR CONGRESS	TORRES FOR CONGRESS 2010	WADE FOR DELAWARE	WILL BOYD FOR US SENATE	YOLLY ROBERSON FOR CONGRESS
AF#: Committee	C00483149	C00446468	C00479907	C00475095	C00423202	C00463406	C00480715	C0C481069	•	C00461343	C00473595	C00468264	C00468934	C00463497	C00473512	C00471516	C00467712	C00467761	C00476432	C00469692	C00477844	C00471433	C00464594
AF#	2232	2233	2234	2235	2236	2237	2238	2239		2241	2242	2243	2244	2245	2246	2247	2248	2249	2250	2251	2252	2253	2254

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)	
Reason To Believe Recommendation - 2010)	
October Quarterly Report (Non-Election	7	
Sensitive) for the Administrative Fine	,	
Program:	7	
MATTHEW BURKE FOR CONGRESS,		AF# 2235
and BURKE, JENNIFER as treasurer;	,	ΑΙ.π 2233
ANDRE WILLIAMS FOR CONGRESS,		AF# 2212
and DAVID EVERETT MARKO as	΄.	711 W 2212
treasurer;	í	
LUIS MEURICE FOR CONGRESS	í	AF# 2232
COMMITTEE, and BERNARD A	Ś	12 11 2232
BECKER as treasurer;	Ś	
WILL BOYD FOR US SENATE, and	Ś	AF# 2253
WILLIE "WILL" BOYD JR as treasurer;	Ś	
FRIENDS OF ROSS BIELING, and	Ś	AF# 2223
BIELING, ROSS PARKER as treasurer;	í	
JAY FLEITMAN FOR CONGRESS	Ś	AF# 2225
COMMITTEE, and MARY LOU STUART	í	n
as treasurer:	Ś	
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SUE LOWDEN FOR U S SENATE, and)	AF# 2249
BOB BEERS as treasurer;)	
CARLINEO FOR CONGRESS, and)	AF# 2213
CARLINEO, GLORIA as treasurer;)	
CHERYLE JACKSON FOR US SENATE,)	AF# 2214
and CAROL STANLEY-ROBBINS as)	
treasurer;)	
CHUCK FLUME FOR CONGRESS, and)	AF# 2215
BRUCE BLOCH as treasurer;)	
CLARK VANDEVENTER FOR)	AF# 2216
CONGRESS 2010, and CLARK)	
VANDEVENTER as treasurer;)	
DEDE FOR CONGRESS INC, and)	AF# 2218
SCOZZAFAVA, DIERDRE K as treasurer;)	
DEON LONG FOR CONGRESS, and)	AF# 2219
DEON LONG as treasurer;)	

DICK KELSEY FOR CONGRESS, and JOHN B BARRETT as treasurer;)	AF# 2220
ETHAN HASTERT FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE, and NELSON, LARRY as treasurer;)	AF# 2222
HERRMANN FOR CONGRESS, and	į	AF# 2224
FRANK J DEMILO CPA as treasurer; JIM HOLT CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE,)	AF# 2226
and MARC MILLSAP as treasurer;)	711 # <i>LLL</i> 0
KEVIN BURNS 4 US SENATE, and ROB FLINT as treasurer;)	AF# 2228
KEVIN POWELL FOR CONGRESS 2010, and LLOYD COLONA as treasurer:)	AF# 2229
LOWRY FOR CONGRESS, and ROBERT)	AF# 2231
PAUL LOWRY as treasurer; LYNCH FOR CONGRESS, and EDWARD)	AF# 2233
LYNCH as treasurer; MARK FRENCH FOR CONGRESS, and)	AF# 2234
KATHLREN CARRELL FRENCH as treasumer;)	
MIKE GRAVEL FOR PRESIDENT 2008,)	AF# 2236
and MIKE GRAVEL as treasurer;)	AF# 2237
MORGAN FOR CONGRESS, and SNYDEN, RD HON. as treasurer;)	AF# 2231
MULLEN FOR CONGRESS, and)	AF# 2238
STUART WAYNE MCMAHEN as)	,,
treasurer;)	
PHILLIP BRUTUS FOR CONGRESS, and)	AF# 2241
CAMELIA SIGUINEAU as treasurer;)	
RICHARD LAKE FOR CONGRESS, and)	AF# 2242
BRADLEY, TERRANCE as treasurer;)	17/10040
SCOTT TAYLOR FOR CONGRESS, and ITHIEL HARLEY THOMAS IV as)	AF# 2243
treasurer;	í	
SCOTT WALLACE FOR US CONGRESS,)	AF# 2244
and RUGGIERO, MAUREEN as treasurer;)	
SHADWICK FOR CONGRESS, and)	AF# 2245
JAMES A LAMBERT as treasurer;)	

SHELDON GOLDSTEIN FOR) AF# 2246
CONGRESS, and JUSTIN MOORE as	j
trearurer;	j
SIAS FOR CONGRESS, and CORY) AF# 2247
DICKSON as treasurer;)
SINGH FOR CONGRESS, and TIMOTHY) AF# 2248
J DAVIS as treasurer;)
TIM WOOLDRIDGE FOR CONGRESS,) AF# 2250
and CHARLES R PARTLOW as treasurer;)
TORRES FOR CONGRESS 2010, and) AF# 2251
THOMAS FREER as treasurer;)
WADE FOR DELAWARE, and HARRY) AF# 2252
SKILTON as treasurer;)
YOLLY ROBERSON FOR CONGRESS,) AF# 2254
and KERLYNE COTARD as treasurer;)

CERTIFICATION

I, Shawn Woodhead Werth, Secretary and Clark of the Federal Election

Commission, do hereby certify that on December 15, 2010 the Commission took the
following actions on the Reason To Believe Recommendation - 2010 October

Quarterly Report (Non-Election Sensitive) for the Administrative Fine Program as
recommended in the Reports Analysis Division's Memorandum dated December 13,
2010, on the following committees:

AF#2235 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that MATTHEW BURKE FOR CONGRESS, and BURKE, JENNIFER as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2212 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that ANDRE WILLIAMS FOR CONGRESS, and DAVID EVERETT MARKO as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners

Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2232 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that LUIS MEURICE FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE, and BERNARD A BECKER as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2253 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that WILL BOYD FOR US SENATE, and WILLIE "WILL" BOYD JR as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2223 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that FRIENDS OF ROSS BIELING, and BIELING, ROSS PARKER as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahh II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2225 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that JAY FLEITMAN FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE, and MARY LOU STUART as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintranb voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2249 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that SUE LOWDEN FOR U S SENATE, and BOB BEERS as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2213 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that CARLINEO FOR CONGRESS, and CARLINEO, GLORIA as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount

indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petensen, Walther, and Weintrattb voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2214 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that CHERYLE JACKSON FOR U S SENATE, and CAROL STANLEY-ROBBINS as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2215 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that CHUCK FLUME FOR CONGRESS, and BRUCE BLOCH as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2216 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that CLARK VANDEVENTER FOR CONGRESS 2010, and CLARK VANDEVENTER as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weinbnub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2218 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that DEDE FOR CONGRESS INC, and SCOZZAFAVA, DIERDRE K as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2219 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that DEON LONG FOR CONGRESS, and DEON LONG as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2220 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that DICK KELSEY FOR CONGRESS, and JOHN B BARRETT as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C.

434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Burerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2222 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that ETHAN HASTERT FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE, and NELSON, LARRY as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the givil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintranb voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2224 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that HERRMANN FOR CONGRESS, and FRANK J DEMILO CPA as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate retter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2226 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that JIM HOLT CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE, and MARC MILLSAP as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2228 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that KEVIN BURNS 4 US SENATE, and ROB FLINT as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2229 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that KEVIN POWELL FOR CONGRESS 2010, and LLOYD COLONA as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C.

434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2231 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that LOWRY FOR CONGRESS, and ROBERT PAUL LOWRY as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Potersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2233 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that LYNCH FOR CONGRESS, and EDWARD LYNCH as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2234 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that MARK FRENCH FOR CONGRESS, and KATHLEEN CARRELL FRENCH as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Huhter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2236 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that MIKE GRAVEL FOR PRESIDENT 2008, and MIKE GRAVEL as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2237 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) first reason to believe that MORGAN FOR CONGRESS, and SNYDEN, RD HON. as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2238 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that MULLEN FOR CONGRESS, and STUART WAYNE MCMAHEN as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2241 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that PHILLIP BRUTUS FOR CONGRESS, and CAMELIA SIGUINEAU as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2242 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that RICHARD LAKE FOR CONGRESS, and BRADLEY, TERRANCE as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2243 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that SCOTT TAYLOR FOR CONGRESS, and ITHIEL HARLEY THOMAS IV as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2245 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that SHADWICK FOR CONGRESS, and JAMES A LAMBERT as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2246 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that SHELDON GOLDSTEIN FOR CONGRESS, and JUSTIN MOORE as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated en the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bnuerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

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AF#2247 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that SIAS FOR CONGRESS, and CORY DICKSON as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Banerly, Huntor, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2248 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that SINGH FOR CONGRESS, and TIMOTHY J DAVIS as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Runter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2250 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that TIM WOOLDRIDGE FOR CONGRESS, and CHARLES R PARTLOW as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2251 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that TORRES FOR CONGRESS 2010, and THOMAS FREER as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walthur, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2252 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that WADE FOR DELAWARE, and HARRY SKILTON as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2254 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that YOLLY ROBERSON FOR CONGRESS, and KERLYNE COTARD as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penaity would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

Shawn Woodhead Werth

Secretary and Clerk of the Commission



December 21, 2010

Kerlyne Cotard, in official capacity as Treasurer Yolly Roberson for Congress 850 Ives Dairy Road, P.O. Box T-57, #306 North Miami Beach, FL 33179

C00464594 AF#: 2254

Dear Mr. Cotard:

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), requires that your committee file an October Quarterly Report of Receipts and Disbursements every calendar year. This report, covering the period through September 30th, shall be filed no later than October 15th. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a). Records at the Federal Election Commission ("FEC") indicate that this report was not filed within thirty (30) days of the due date. You should file this report if you have not already done so.

The Act permits the FEC to impose civil money penalties for violations of the reporting requirements of 2 U.S.C. § 434(a). 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4). On December 15, 2010, the FEC found that there is reason to believe ("RTB") that Yolly Roberson for Congress and you, in your official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) by failing to file timely this report on or before October 15th.

Based on the FEC's schedules of civil money penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43, the amount of your civil money penalty calculated at the RTB stage is \$3,850. Please see the attached copy of the Commission's administrative fine regulations at 11 C.F.R. §§ 111.30-111.46. Attachment 1. The Commission's website contains further information about how the administrative fine program works and how the fines are calculated. See http://www.fec.gov/af/af.shtml. 11 C.F.R. § 111.34. Your payment of \$3,850 is due within forty (40) days of the finding, or by January 24, 2011, and is based on these factors:

Sensitivity of Report: Not Election Sensitive

Level of Activity: \$93,277

Number of Days Late: Not Filed

Number of Previous Civil Money Penalties Assessed: 0

At this juncture, the following courses of action are available to you:

1. If You Choose to Challenge the RTB Finding and/or Civil Money Penalty

If you should decide to challenge the RTB finding and/or calculated civil money penalty, you must submit a written response, including the AF# found at the top of page 1 under your

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committee's identification number, to the FEC's Office of Administrative Review, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463. Your response must be received within forty (40) days of the Commission's RTB finding, or January 24, 2011. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(a). Your written response must include the reason(s) why you are challenging the RTB finding and/or calculated civil money penalty, and must include the faetual basis supporting the reason(s) and supporting documentation. The FEC strongly encourages that documents be submitted in the form of affidavits or dcolarations. 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(c).

The FEC will only consider challenges that are based on at least one of three grounds: (1) a factual error in the RTB finding; (2) miscalculation of the calculated civil money penalty by the FEC; or (3) your demonstrated use of best efforts to file in a timely manner when prevented from doing so by reasonably unforeseen circumstances that were beyond your control. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(b). In order for a challenge to be considered on the basis of best efforts, you must have filed the required report no later than 24 llours after the end of these reasonably unforeseen circumstances. Id. Examples of circumstances that will be considered reasonably unforeseen and beyond your control include, but are not limited to, (1) a failure of Commission computers or Commission-provided software despite your seeking technical assistance from Commission personnel and resources; (2) a widespread disruption of information transmissions over the Internet that is not caused by a failure of the Commission's or your computer systems or Internet service provider; and (3) severe weather or other disaster-related incident. 111.35(c). Examples of circumstances that will not be considered reasonably unforeseen and beyond your control include, but are not limited to, (1) negligence; (2) delays caused by vendors or contractors; (3) treasurer and staff illness, inexperience or unavailability; (4) committee computer, software, or Internet service provider failures; (5) failure to know filing dates; and (6) failure to use filing software properly. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(d).

The "failure to raise an argument in a timely fashion during the administrative process shall be deemed a waiver" of your right to present such argument in a petition to the U.S. district court under 2 U.S.C. § 437g. 11 C.F.R. § 111.38.

If you intend to be represented by counsel, please advise the Office of Administrative Review. You should provide, in writing, the name, address and telephone number of your counsel and authorize counsel to receive notifications and communications relating to this challenge and imposition of the calculated civil money penalty.

2. If You Choose Not to Pay the Civil Money Panalty and Not to Submit a Challenge

If you do not pay the calculated civil money penalty and do not submit a written response, the FEC will assume that the preceding factual allegations are true and make a final determination that Yolly Roberson for Congress and you, in your official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty.

Unpaid civil money penalties assessed through the Administrative Fine regulations will be subject to the Debt Collection Act of 1982 ("DCA"), as amended by the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, 31 U.S.C. § 3701 et seq. The FEC may take any and all appropriate action authorized and required by the DCA, as amended, including transfer to the U.S. Department of the Treasury for collection. 11 C.F.R. § 111.51(a)(2).

3. If You Choose to Pay the Civil Money Penalty

If you should decide to pay the calculated civil money penalty, send the enclosed remittance form, along with your payment, to the FEC at the address on page 4. Upon receipt of your payment, the FEC will send you a final determination letter.

This matter was generated based on information ascertained by the FEC in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities. 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(2). It will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(B) and 437g(a)(12)(A) until it is placed on the public record in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.42, unless you notify the FEC in writing that you wish the matter to be made public.

As noted earlier, you may obtain additional information on the FEC's administrative fine program, including the final regulations, on the FEC's website at http://www.fec.gov/af/af.shtml. If you have questions regarding the payment of the calculated civil money penalty, please contact Sari Pickerall in the Reports Analysis Division at our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5) or (202) 694-1130. If you have questions regarding the submission of a challenge, please contact the Office of Administrative Review at our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (press 0, then ext. 1660) or (202) 694-1660.

On behalf of the Commission,

Cynthia L. Baw

Vice Chair

ADMINISTRATIVE FINE REMITTANCE & PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

In accordance with the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43, the amount of your civil money penalty calculated at RTB is \$3,850 for the 2010 October Quarterly Report.

Please mail this remittance with a check or money order made payable to the Federal Election Commission to the following address:

Federal Election Commission P.O. Box 979058 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

If you choose to send your remittance and payment by courier or overnight delivery, please use this address:

U.S. Bank - Government Lockbox FEC #979058 1005 Convention Plaza Attn: Government Lockbox, SL-MO-C2GL St. Louis, MO 63101

The remittance and your payment are due by January 24, 2011. Upon receipt of your remittance and payment, the FEC will send you a final determination letter.

PAYMENTS BY PERSONAL CHECK

Personal checks will be converted into electronic funds transfers (EFTS). Your account will be electronically debited for the amount on your check, usually within 24 hours, and the debit will appear on your regular statement. We will destroy your original check and keep a copy of it. In case the EFT cannot be processed for technical reasons, you authorize us to process the copy in lieu of the original check. Should the EFT not be completed because of insufficient funds, we may try to make the transfer twice.

PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN THE PORTION BELOW WITH YOUR PAYMENT

FOR: Yolly Roberson for Congress

FEC ID#: C00464594

AF#: 2254

PAYMENT DUE DATE: January 24, 2011

PAYMENT AMOUNT DUE: \$3,850

Attachment 3



January 19, 2011

Ms. Cynthia L. Bauerly, Vice Chair Federal Election Commission Office of the Administrative review 999 E. Street, NW Washington, DC, 20463

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RE: C00464594 AF#2254

Dear Ms. Bauerly:

I am writing to request your reconsideration of the RTB finding and the calculated civil money penalty in consection with the above referenced matter for the following reasons:

Firstly, soon after the 2010 primary election, I was denied access to NGP, the software that I had been using to prepare my campaign reports, because I no longer had the means to pay for the use of the same.

On or about November 4, 2010, I received a call from Mr. Seth L. Kaye, of the Campaign Finance Analysis Division, regarding the filing of an amended pre-primary report. I then advised him of my situation with NGP and my attempt to negotiate a settlement with that company in order to secure access again to the software and file my 2010 October Quarterly Report and the requested amendments. Mr. Kaye suggested that I use the FEC free software from that point on. With the help of some FEC staff, I downloaded the free FEC software but, upon familiarizing myself with it. I realized that it would take me a lot longer to re-input in to that software, the considerable amount of data previously entered in NGP as the two software use different format. As a result, since time was of the essence, I went back to NGP and, at last, was able to reach an agreement with them pursuant to which, I was granted renewed access to NGP in exchange for a payment pian.

Secondly, during my initial conversation with Mr. Kaye, he told me that in order to avoid any sanction by the FEC, from that point on, I had to keep him apprised daily of my progress regarding my negotiations with NGP or my use of the FEC free software. I did. Upon being reauthorized to access NGP, I immediately called him and advised him accordingly. Mr. Kaye reminded me of the necessity, at this point, to immediately prepare the amendment to the 2010 pre-primary report first and then, the amendments to the other previously filed reports. During

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my almost daily conversations with him, he continued to impress on me the necessity for me to communicate to him my progress with regard to the filings of the requested documents and the fact that as long as I comply with his request no action would be taken against me. I did exactly as requested because it was my understanding that until and unless the prior reports were correctly amended, all subsequent reports would be incorrect. In addition, up to that point, any and all communications I have had with the FEC, had been through Mr. Kaye. Having no prior experience with dealing with the FEC, I was totally relieved and grateful to be guided by an FEC staff like Mr. Kaye. Within hours after my access to NGP was restored, I filed the amendment to the pre-primary report and called Mr. Kaye to so inform him. As I continued to work on amending the other previously filed reports, I kept Mr. Kaye posted of my activities at every step in order to comply with his directions and avoid the imposition of any penalty against me, as he assured me.

On or about January 6, 2011, to my surprise, when I returned a telephone call to Ms. Sara Pickle, I learned that, notwithstanding the foregoing, the FEC had entered a findings for money penalty against me and that the written notice thereof had been sent to me by mail. At the time, Ms. Pickle also made it clear that no FEC staff has the authority to make any decision contrary to FEC rules and/or procedures as it relates to the filing requirements of FEC reports. That very afternoon, following my conversation with Ms. Pickle, I filed the 2010 October Quarter Report. Soon thereafter, I filed the original termination report.

Mr. Kaye is a very nice gentleman. I don't believe that he set out to deliberately mislead me but nonstheless, the information he provided me and which I relied on was not correct. I would have at least filed the October Quarterly report long before the entry of the FEC finding.

This election has in essence bankrupted me. My campaign arcount has been closed for a while and my campaign Committee is not active. I respectfully ask for your reconsideration.

If you have any further question or nee additional information, please do not besitate to call me

olly Roberson



Via First Class Mail

January 26, 2011

Kerlyne Cotard, in official capacity as Treasurer Yolly Roberson for Congress 850 Ives Dairy Road Post Office Box T-57, #306 North Miami Beach, FL 33179

C00464594 AF# 2254

Dear Treasurer:

On January 25, 2011, the Commission's Office of Administrative Review ("OAR") received your written response ("challenge") which is being reviewed by OAR. If you have any questions regarding your challenge, please contact this Office on our toll free number (800)424-9530 (press 0, then ext. 1660) or (202)694-1660.

Sincerely,

Dayna C. Brown Reviewing Officer

Office of Administrative Review

FEC OFFICE OF ADMIN REVIEW

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Date: January 26, 2011

REFERRAL TO OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW CHALLENGE RECEIVED

AF#: 2254

Committee Name: Yolly Roberson for Congress

Committee ID#: C00464594

Committee Address (if different than in RTB letter): N/A

Treasurer Name (if different than in RTB finding): N/A

Attachments:

Copy of RTB Circulation Report, dated December 10, 2010 and RTB

CertRication, dated December 15, 2010 (Y/N): N

Attachment #: N/A

Proof of Delivery (to be forwarded at leter date if not yet received) (Y/N): Y

Attachment #: 1

Other Relevant Telecoms (Y/N): N

Attachment #: N/A

Original Correspondence Received by RAD in Response to RTB Letter (Y/N): N

Attachment #: N/A

RAD Staff Declaration (Y/N): Y

-2010 October Quarterly Report Prior Notice, dated September 21, 2010.

-Non-Filer Notice, dated Novomber 4, 2010.

-RTB Letter, dated December 21, 2010.

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Other RAD Information: (Y/N): Y

Attachment#: 4



Delivery Notification

Dear Customer,

This notice serves as proof of delivery for the shipment listed below.

Tracking Number: 1Z WF5 860 A2 9560 250 2

Reference Number(s): RAD

Service: **NEXT DAY AIR**

Special instructions: ADULT SIGNATURE REQUIRED

Shipped/Billed On: 01/10/2011

Delivered On: 01/11/2011 12:00 P.M. **Delivered To:** 900 NE 195TH ST

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MIAMI, FL, US 33179

Location: RESIDENTIAL

Thank you for giving us this opportunity to serve you.

Sincerely, **UPS**

Tracking results provided by UPS: 01/25/2011 4:25 P.M. ET

DECLARATION OF JODI WINSHIP

- I am the Acting Chief of the Compliance Branch for the Reports Analysis Division of the
 Federal Election Commission ("Commission"). In my capacity as Acting Chief of the
 Compliance Branch, I oversee the initial processing of the Administrative Fine Program. I
 make this declaration based on my personal knowledge and, if called upon as a witness, could
 and would testify competently to the following matters.
- 2. I hereby certify that documents identified herein are true and accurate copies of the following sent by the Commission to Yolly Roberson for Congress:
 - A) Prior Notice, dated September 21, 2010, referencing the 2010 October Quarterly Report (sent via electronic mail to: VICTORY2YR@GMAIL.COM);
 - B) Non-Filer Notice, dated November 4, 2010;
 - C) Reason-to-Believe Letter, dated December 21, 2010, referencing the 2010 October Quarterly Report.

I hereby certify that I have searched the Commission's public records and find that Yolly Roberson for Congress filed the 2010 October Quarterly Report with the Commission on January 6, 2011.

 Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that all relevant telecoms for the matter have been provided. This declaration was executed at Washington, D.C. on the 26th day of January, 2011.

Jodi Winship

Acting Chief, Compliance Branch Reports Analysis Division

Federal Election Commission



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES PARTIES AND PACS

September 21, 2010

CURRENT REPORT DUE

October Quarterly	09/30/10	10/15/10	10/15/10
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REPORTING SCHEDULE FOR REMAINDER OF 2010

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Pre-General ²	10/13/10	10/18/10	10/21/10
Post-General	11/22/10	12/02/10	12/02/10
Year-End	12/31/10	01/31/11	01/31/11

Supplemental Filing Information is available:

- Congressional Committees
- Parties and PACs

¹A reporting period always begins the day after the closing date of the last report filed. If the committee is new and has not previously filed a report, the first report must cover all activity that occurred before the committee registered up through the close of books for the first report due.

² Parties and PACs: required only if committee makes contributions or expenditures in connection with the general election during the reporting period.

Congressional Committees: campaign committees of a candidate who participates in the general election must file pre-and post-general election reports.

2010 SUPPLEMENTAL FILING INFORMATION CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES

PLEASE NOTE: The Commission provides reminders of upcoming filing dates as a courtesy to help committees comply with the filing deadlines set forth in the Act and Commission regulations. Committee treasurers must comply with all applicable filing deadlines established by law, and the lack of prior notice does not constitute an excuse for failing to comply with any filing deadline.

WHO MUST FILE

Principal campaign committees of congressional candidates ¹ (including unopposed candidates and candidates whose names do not appear on the ballot) must file Quarterly Reports in 2010. ²

Campaigns that raise or spend more than \$5,000 for the 2010 election cycle (and thus trigger registration and reporting requirements) must file quarterly reports throughout 2010, even if the candidate plans to retire, withdraws from the race prior to the primary election, loses the primary or drops out of the race prior to the general election. See 11 CFR 104.5(a)(2).

Before a committee can stop filing with the FEC, it must file a termination report with the Commission. See 11 CFR 102.3. Committees must continue to file reports until the Commission notifies them in writing that their termination report has been accepted.

METHODS OF FILING REPORTS

Electronic Filing

Reports filed electronically must be received and validated by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the filing deadline. See 11 CFR 104.5(e).

- Web Page: Electronic Filing Page
- <u>Campaign Guide for Congressional Candidates and Committees (Candidate Guide)</u>, pp. 82-84 [PDF]

Paper Filing - Meeting the Filing Deadline

Paper Report filing options -- Registered, Certified or Overnight or First Class Mail. See 11 CFR 104.5(e).

- Web Page: Link to Paper Forms (for downloading and printing)
- Candidate Guide, p. 81 [PDF]

¹ Generally, an individual becomes a candidate for federal office (and thus triggers registration and reporting obligations) when his or her campaign exceeds \$5,000 in either contributions or expenditures. If the campaign has not crossed the \$5,000 threshold, it is not required to file reports. See 11 CFR 100.3(a).

² If a candidate has more than one authorized committee, the principal campaign committee must also file a consolidated report on Form 3Z [PDF].

PRE- AND POST-ELECTION REPORTS

A committee whose candidate participates in a 2010 state primary, nominating convention or runoff election -- even if unupposed -- must also file a pre-election report 12 days prior to the primary, nominating comvention or rurarff. The campaign committee of a candidate who participates in the general election must file pre- and post-general election reports. See 11 CFR 104.5(a)(2).

- Web Page: 2010 Congressional Pre-Primary Reporting Dates
- The Record: January 2010 issue [PDF]
- Candidate Guide, pp. 79-80 [PDF]

48 HOUR NOTICES ON CONTRIBUTIONS

Notices are required if the committee receives any contribution (including in-kind gifts or advances of goods or services; loans from the candidate or other non-bank sources; and guarantees or andorsements of bank hours to the candidate or committee) of \$1,000 or more per source, during the period less than 20 days but more than 48 hours before any election in which the candidate is running.

The notices must reach the appropriate federal filing office within 48 hours of the committee's receipt of the contribution(s). Campaign committees that file electronically MUST submit their 48-hour notices electronically. See 11 CFR 104.5(f).

- Web Page: Electronic Filing Fage
- Web Page: Link to Paper Forms (for downloading and printing)
- Form 6 Fax numbers
 - o Senate campaigns (Secretary of the Senate): (202) 224-1851
 - o House Campaigns (FEC): (202) 219-0174
- Campaign Guide: <u>Candidate Guide</u>, p. 80 [PDF]

COMPLIANCE

Treasurer Responsibility

Committee Treasurers are responsible for both the timeliness and the accuracy of all reports. They may be subject to monetary penalties if reports are inaccurate or are not filed on time. See 11 CFR 104.14(d).

- Statement of Policy Regarding Treasurers Subject to Enforcement Proceedings [PDF]
- Candidate Guide, p. 7 [PDF]

Administrative Fine Program

Political committees and their treasurers who fail to file their reports on time may be subject to civil money penalties up to \$17,600 (or more for repeat late- and non-filers). ³ See 11 CFR 111.30.

- Web Page: Administrative Fine Program
- Candidate Guide, pp. 81-82 [PDF]

³ Penalties for late- or non-filing of 48-hour notices are based on the amount of contributions not timely disclosed. As a result, these penalties may exceed \$17,600, even for first-time violations.

DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYIST BUNDLING ACTIVITY

Campaign committees must file <u>FEC Form 3L</u> [PDF] if they receive two or more bundled contributions from lobbyists/registrants or lobbyist/registrant PACs that aggregate in excess of \$16,000 during the applicable reporting period (see page 1 of this notice). See 11 CFR 104.22 and 110.17(e).

• The Record: March 2009 issue [PDF]

2010 REPORTING SCHEDULE

Web Page: <u>2010 Reporting Dates Page</u>
The Record: <u>January 2010 issue</u> [PDF]

• Candidate Guide, p. 79 [PDF]

IMPORTANT FILING INFORMATION - PAPER FILERS

In response to the 2001 anthrax threat, the U.S. Postal Service is irradiating mail directed to many federal agencies, including the FEC and the Secretary of the Senate. ⁴ This process has not only delayed mail delivery, it has also damaged and in some cases destroyed pieces of mail. As a result, committees that file reports with the FEC may want to consider submitting their reports by some means other than U.S. mail. Alternative methods include electronic filing, overnight mail or delivery service, and hand delivery.

⁴ Senate committees should contact the Secretary of the Senate at (202) 224-0322 for more information on filing reports via US mail.

2010 SUPPLEMENTAL FILING INFORMATION PACS AND PARTY COMMITTEES

PLEASE NOTE: The Commission provides reminders of upcoming filing dates as a courtesy to help committees comply with the filing deadlines set forth in the Act and Commission regulations. Committee treasurers must comply with all applicable filing deadlines established by law, and the lack of prior notice does not constitute an excuse for failing to comply with any filing deadline.

WHO MUST FILE

All Party Committees and PACs (Nonconnected Committees and Separate Segregated Funds) must file either quarterly or monthly reports in 2010. See 11 CFR 104.5(c). Before a committee can stop filing with the FEC, it must file a turnination report with the Commission. See 11 CFR 102.3. Committees must continue to file reports until the Commission notifies them in writing that their termination report has been accepted.

METHODS OF FILING REPORTS

Electronic Filing

Reports filed electronically must be received and validated by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the filing deadline. See 11 CFR 104.5(e).

- Web Page: Electronic Filing Page
- Campaign Guide: Nonconnected Committees (Nonconnected), pp. 51-53 [PDF]; Corporations and Labor Organizations (SSF), pp. 49-51 [PDF]; Political Party Committees (Party), pp. 69-71 [PDF].

Paper Filing - Meeting the Filing Deadline

Paper report filing options – Registered, Certified or Overnight or First Class Mail. See 11 CFR 104.5(e).

- Web Page: Link to Paper Forms (for downloading and printing)
- Campaign Guide: Nonconnected, pp. 47-48 [PDF]; SSF, pp. 45-46 [PDF]; Party, p. 65 [PDF].

PRE-ELECTION REPORTING

Quarterly filing committees that make contributions or expenditures (including independent expenditures) in connection with an election must also file a Pre-Election Report, if the activity was not previously reported. See 11 CFR 104.5(c)(1)(ii).

- Web Page: 2010 Congressional Pre-Primary Reporting Dates Page
- The Record: <u>January 2010 issue</u> [PDF]
- Campaign Guide: Nonconnected, pp. 49-51 [PDF]; SSF. pp. 46-48 [PDF]; Party. pp. 67-68 [PDF].

2010 REPORTING SCHEDULE

- Web Page: 2010 Reporting Dates Page
- The *Record*: January 2010 issue [PDF]
- Campaign Guide: Nonconnected, pp. 49-51 [PDF]; SSF, pp. 46-48 [PDF]; Party, pp. 67-68 [PDF].

COMPLIANCE

Treasurer Responsibility

Committee treasurers are responsible for both the timeliness and the accuracy of all reports. They may be subject to monetary penalties if reports are inaccurate or are not filed on time. See 11 CFR 104.14(d).

- Statement of Policy Regarding Treasurers Subject to Enforcement Proceeding [PDF]
- Campaign Guide: Nonconnected, pp. 3-4 [PDF]; SSF, pp. 1-2 [PDF]; Party. pp. 6-7 [PDF].

Administrative Fine Program

Failure to file reports on time may be subject to civil money penalties up to \$17,600 (or more for repeat late- or non-filers). See 11 CFR 111.30.

- Web Page: Administrative Fine Program Page
- Campaign Guide: Nonconnected, pp. 48-49 [PDF]; SSF, p. 46 [PDF]; Party, p. 66 [PDF].

DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYIST BUNDLING ACTIVITY

Party committees and Leadership PACs must simultaneously file FEC Form 3L if they receive two or more bundled contributions from lobbyists/registrants or lobbyist/registrant PACs that aggregate in excess of \$16,000 during the covered period (see page 1 of this notice). See 11 CFR 104.22 and 110.17(e).

- The Record: March 2009 issue [PDF]
 - Campaign Guide: <u>Party, pp. 143-149</u> [PDF]

CHANGE IN FILING FREQUENCY

Committees able to change their reporting schedule (for example, from monthly to quarterly) who wish to do so must notify the Commission in writing and may change their filing frequency no more than once per calendar year. See 11 CFR 104.5(c).

- Web Page: Filing Frequency by Type of Committee
- Campaign Guide: Nonconnected, p. 51 [PDF]; SSF, p. 49 [PDF]; Party, p. 67 [PDF].

48- AND 24-HOUR REPORTS OF INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURES

Any PAC or Party Committee that makes independent expenditures in 2010 may have to disclose this activity within 48- or 24-hours based upon the date and amount of the expenditure. See 11 CFR 104.4.

- Web Page: 48-und 24-hour periods for independent expenditures for 2010 elections
- Campaign Guide: <u>Nonconnected, pp. 72-74</u> [PDF]; <u>SSF, pp. 65-67</u> [PDF];
 <u>Party, pp. 87-89</u> [PDF].

These reports are not required when a PAC or Party Committee makes a contribution directly to a candidate.



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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KERLYNE COTARD, TREASURER
YOLLY ROBERSON FOR CONGRESS
859 IMPS DAIRY ROAD P.O. BOX T-57, #306
NOBTH MIAMI BEACH, TL 33179

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00464594

REFERENCE: OCTOBER QUARTERLY REPORT 8/5/2010 - 9/30/2010

DEAR TREASURER:

IT HAS COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION THAT YOU MAY HAVE FRILED TO FILE THE ABOVE REFERENCED REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES AS REQUIRED BY THE FEDERAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN ACT, AS AMENDED.

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Reports analysis division (RAD)





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SENSITIVE

March 25, 2011

MEMORANDUM

To:

The Commission

Through:

Alec Palmer

Acting Staff Director

From:

Patricia Carmona

Chief Compliance Officer

Dayna C. Brown

Reviewing Officer

Office of Administrative Review

Subject:

Reviewing Officer Recommendation in AF# 2254 - Yolly Roberson for

Congress and Kerlyne Cotard, in har official capacity as Treasurer

(C00464594)

The attached Reviewing Officer Recommendation is being circulated on an informational basis. A copy was also sent to the respondents in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(f). The respondents may file with the Commission Secretary a written response within 10 days of transmittal of the recommendation.

After the 10 day period, the Reviewing Officer Recommendation and the respondents' written response, if any, will be circulated to the Commission to usake a final determination.

Attachment



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

March 25, 2011

REVIEWING OFFICER RECOMMENDATION OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW ("OAR")

AF# 2254 - Yolly Roberton for Congress and Kerlyne Cotard, in her official capacity as Treasurer (C00464594)

Summary of Recommendation

Make a final determination that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a \$3,850 civil money penalty.

Reason-to-Believe Background

On December 15, 2010, the Commission found reason to believe ("RTB") that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2010 October Quarterly Report and made a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty was \$3,850 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. They were notified by the Reports Analysis Division ("RAD") on December 21, 2010 of the Commission's RTB finding and civil money penalty. The letter, sont to the address of record, was unclaimed and returned to the Commission; however, copies of the letter sent to alternate addresses were received on January 11, 2011.

Legal Requirements

The Federal Election Campaign Act ("Act") states that the treasurer of a principal campaign committee of a candidate shall file a report for the period ending September 30 no later than October 15. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(2)(A)(iii) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.5(a)(1)(i). Reports electronically filed must be received and validated at or before 11:59 pm Eastern Standard/Daylight Time on October 15 to be timely filed. 11 C.F.R. §§ 100.19(c) and 104.5(e). The treasurer shall be personally respensible for the timely filing of reports. 11 C.F.R. § 104.14(d).

Respondents' Challenge

On January 21, 2011, the Commission received the written response ("challenge") from the Candidate, Yolly Roberson, who asks for reconsideration of the RTB finding and fine. The Candidate states that they lost access to their filing software shortly after the primary election because they could no longer pay the provider, NGP. When the RAD Analyst called around November 4 concerning the pre-primary report, the Candidate told him about losing NGP and her efforts to re-establish ties so she nould file the October Quartarly Report and the requested amendments. The Analyst suggested they use the Commission's free software, FECFile. With

¹ The respondents sent the challenge via facsivele on January 21, 2011. The identical hard copy was received on January 25, 2011.

the help of Commission staff, she downloaded FECFile, but soon realized it would take too long to enter the data from the prior reports. She decided it was quicker to use NGP so she set up a payment plan and her access to the software was restored.

The Candidate states she was told that if she kept in contact with the Analyst concerning this issue, there would not be any sanctions imposed. She did keep in contact with him regarding her negotiations with NGP and her attempts to use the FECFile software. When she mestablished access to NGP, the Analyst told her to file the amended pre-primary report first and then amend any other reports. It was her understanding that unless the prior reports were amended correctly, all subsequent reports would be incorrect.

Around January 6, 2011, another Analyst called about the fine. That same day, she filed the October Quarterly Report. She does not think her Analyst intentionally mislead her, however, he gave her incorrect guidance. Had she known about the preential fine, she would have filed the report sooner. She adds that the committee is no larger active and the campaign left her virtually bankrupt.

Analysis

The October Quarterly Report was filed on January 6, 2011, 83 days late.

The Candidate says she would have filed the report before the RTB finding had they known a penalty was possible. The respondents were notified en three occasions, once before the due date and twice after the due date, that they must file this report. On September 21, 2010, the Report Notice for the October Quarterly Report was sent via email to "victory2yr@gmail.com," the email address disclosed on their Statement of Organization. On October 16, 2010, one day after the deadline, the Electronic Filing Office ("EFO") sent an email notification to "victory1yr@aol.com," an email address provided by the respondents, stating that they failed to file the report. They were notified again when RAD sent the non-filer letter on November 4.

Both the Report Notice and the non-filer letter explain that the failure to file reports on time may result in civil money penalties. The non-filer letter specifically states that the penalty calculation for late reports does not include a grace period and begins on the day after the report's due date. There is no indication from the RAD telecoms ("written records of telephone conversations), that the respondents contacted Commission staff about these notifications.

According to RAD's telecoms, the Candidate spoke with RAD staff numerous times from November 2010 through January 2011. The first contact was on November 8 when the RAD Reports Analyst called the Candidate concerning a loan problem on the 12 Day Pre-Primary Report. During the eall, the Candidate explained that they no longer had access to NGP's software. The Analyst suggested that she use FECFile, which was available at no cost, and asked that she keep him posted on her progress since the loan issue is subject to further Commission action if bost unresolved. On November 10, the Analyst provided the Candidate with specifics on hew to use FECFile and referred her to the EFO for further help. The EFO logs

show that the respondents secured a password on November 17 and downloaded FECFile on November 18. EFO staff also provided instructions for rebuilding a data file.

On December 2, the Candidate told the Analyst that she imported their prior reports from the Commission's website into the FECFile software, but she said there is still much to do. She said she worked out a deal with NGP and decided to use it instead of FECFile. The Analyst reminded her that she must amend the 12 Day Pre-Primary Report and file the October Quarterly Report. On December 8, the Analyst helped the Candidate enter transactions on the Amended 12 Day Pre-Primary Report. When the Analyst reminded her of the need to file the October Quarterly Report and amend other previous reports as soon as possible, the Candidate replied that she could not do it all today. On December 10 through 14, there were multiple calls between the Candidate and Analyst regarding the filing of the Amended 12 Day Pro-Primary Report, which was finally filed on December 14, 2010. During these conversations, the Candidate also indicated that she was working on the October Quarterly Report.

The Condidate's next cantact was on January 5, 2011, when she returned a call from the RAD Compliance Analyst about the fine. The Candidate said she was currently preparing the October Quarterly Report and thought no fine would be assessed. The Analyst explained that the report was due in October and there are no extensions. The respondents filed the report the next day, January 6, 2011, after the Compliance Analyst provided the Candidate with the report's coverage dates. When they spoke again on January 11, the Candidate said if she knew she would be fined she would have filed incorrect reports. She explained that while working with her Reports Analyst, she found problems in the reporte and took the time to fix there. She restated that the fine is unfair because the tried to file correct reports and kept in touch with the Analyst.

On January 11, the Candidate told the RAD Authorized Branch Chief that there was a miscommunication between she and her Reports Analyst. She conceded that he did not tell her it was acceptable to file the October Quarterly Report late, rather he informed her of the need to correct a referable issue on the 12 Day Pre-Primary Report. She said in retrospect she should have filed the October Quarterly Report sooner, even if incorrect, to avoid the fine and then worked on correcting the other issues.

The regulations are clear that the Treosurer shall be persumally responsible for the timely and complete filing of reports, as well as the accuracy of the information they contain. 11 C.F.R. § 104.14(d). The respondents were advised of their requirement to file the October Quarterly Report on multiple occasions. The report was already 20 days late when the Reports Analyst initially contacted them about the reporting of a loan on their 12 Day Pre-Primary Report. As pointed out by the Assistant Staff Director for RAD in her supplemental response, the Reports Analyst advised the Candidate that if the 12 Day Pre-Primary loan issue was not corrected, it would be referred to the Commission for further action. Additionally, the Branch Chief confirms that the Analyst neither recommended that they delay the filing of the October Quarterly Report nor did he state that they would not be fined for failing to timely tile the report. The Candidate aeknowledges these facts as well in her January 11 conversation with the Branch Chief.

Negligence, staff inexperience, failure to use filing software properly, failure to know filing dates, and delays caused by committee vendors are included at 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(d) as examples of circumstances that are not considered reasonably unforeseen and beyond the respondents' control. The other issues raised in the challenge (she kept in touch with the Analyst, the Committee is no longer active and the Candidate is essentially bankrupt) also do not fall within the list of grounds for challenging enumerated at 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(b). These are: (i) the RTB finding is based on factual errors; and/or (ii) the improper calculation of the civil money penalty; and/or (iii) they used best efforts to file on time but were prevented from doing so by reasonably unforeseen circumstances that were beyond their control and they filed the report no later than 24 hours after the end of these circumstances. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(d)(3).

The Reviewing Officer, therefore, recommends that the Commission make a final determination that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty of \$3,850.

OAR Recommendations

- (1) Adopt the Reviewing Officer recommendation for AF# 2254 involving Yolly Roberson for Congress and Kerlyne Cotard, in her official capacity as Treasurer, in making the final determination;
- (2) Make a final determination in AF# 2254 that Yolly Roberson for Congress and Kerlyne Cotard, in her official capacity as Treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and essess a civil morney penalty of \$3,850; and
- (3) Send the appropriate latter.

Reviewing Officer: Dayna C. Brown

Attachments

Attachment 1 - Challenge Received from Respondents

Attachment 2 -

Attachment 3 -

Attachment 4 – Declaration from RAD

Attachment 5 – Declaration from OAR

DECLARATION OF DAYNA C. BROWN

- 1. I am the Reviewing Officer in the Office of Administrative Review for the Federal Election Commission ("Commission"). In my capacity as Reviewing Officer, I conduct research with respect to all challenges submitted in accordance with the Administrative Fine program.
- 2. The 2010 October Quarterly Report is due October 15, 2010. If electronically filed, it must be received and validated by the Commission at or before 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard/Daylight Time on October 15, 2010 to be timely filed.
- 3. It is the practice of the Electronic Filing Office to document all calls to or from committees regarding an error message they receive while using the FECFile software. It is also this office's practice to maintain an Electronic Filing auction on the Commission's was site at http://www.fac.gov/elecfil/elactron.shtml for the use of committees and treasurers who are electronic filers.
- 4. It is the practice of the Reports Analysis Division to document all calls to or from committees regarding a letter they receive or any questions relating to administrative fine regulations, including due dates of reports and filing requirements.
- 5. I hereby certify that I have searched the Commission's public records and that the documents identified herein are the true and accurate copies of:
 - a) Page 1 of the Statement of Organization filed by Yolly Roberson for Congress and Kerlyne Cotard, in her official capacity as Treasurer. According to the Commission's records, the document is dated July 23, 2009, was received July 27, 2009, and lists "Victory2yr@GMAIL.COM" as the Committee's small address;
 - b) Page 1 of the Summary Page for the Amended 2010 12 Day Pre-Primary Report electronically filed by Yolly Roberson for Congress and Kerlyne Cotard, in her official capacity as Treasurer. According to the Commission's records, the report covers the period from July 1 through August 4, 2010, and was received on December 14, 2010; and
 - c) Page 1 of the Summary Page for the 2010 October Quarterly Report electronically filed by Yolly Roberson for Congress and Kerlyne Cotard, in her official capacity as Treasurer. According to the Commission's records, the report covers the period from August 5 through September 30, 2010, and was recoived on January 6, 2011.
- 6. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed at Washington on the 25th of March 2011.

Dayna C. Brown

Reviewing Officer

Office of Administrative Review Federal Election Commission

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VIA EXPRESS MAIL

March 28, 2011

Kerlyne Cotard, in her official capacity as Treasurer Yolly Roberson for Congress 850 Ives Dairy Road P.O. Box T-57, #306 North Miami Beach, FL 33179

C00464594 AF# 2254

Dear Ms. Cotard:

On December 15, 2010, the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") found reason to believe ("RTB") that Yolly Roberson for Congress and you, in your official capacity as Treasurer ("respondents"), violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to timely file the 2010 October Quarterly Report. The Commission also made a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty was \$3,850 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43.

After reviewing the written response and any supplemental information submitted by you and Commission staff, the Reviewing Officer has recommended that the Commission make a final determination in this matter. A copy of the Reviewing Officer's recommendation is attached.

You may file with the Commission Secretary a written response to the recommendation within 10 days of the date of this letter. Your written response should be sent to the Commission Secretary, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463. As a result of the anthrax threat in the Washington, DC area, US Postal Service mail delivery to federal agencies, including the Commission, has been interrupted. Until regular mail delivery remmes, you may also file your written response with the Commission Secretary via facsimile (202-208-3333) or by courier at the same address (if you use an avernight delivery service, please use zip code 20004 instead of zip code 20463). Please include the AF # in your response. Your response may not raise any arguments not raised in your original written response or not directly responsive to the Reviewing Officer's recommendation. 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(f). The Commission will then make a final determination in this matter.

Please contact me at the toil free number 800-424-9530 (press 0, then preas 1660) or 202-694-1660 if you have any questions.

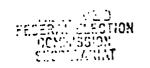
Sincerely,

Dayna C. Brown Reviewing Officer

Office of Administrative Review

cc: Yolly Roberson, Candidate Attachment





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April 13, 2011

MEMORANDUM

SENSITIVE

To:

The Commission

Through:

Alec Palmer

Acting Staff Director

From:

Patrinia Carmona AU

Chief Compliance Officer

Dayna C. Brown

Reviewing Officer

Office of Administrative Review

Subject:

Final Determination Recommendation in AF# 2254 - Yolly Roberson for

Congress and Kerlyne Cotard, in her official capacity as Treasurer

(C00464594)

On December 15, 2010, the Commission found reason to believe ("RTB") that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2010 October Quarterly Report and also made a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty was \$3,850 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43.

On January 21, 2011, the Commission received the reapondents' written response ("challenge"). After reviewing the challenge, the Reviewing Officer's recommendation dated March 25, 2011 was forwarded to the Commission, a copy was forwarded to the respondents, and is hereby incorporated by reference. The Reviewing Officer recommended that the Commission make a final determination that they violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a \$3,850 civil money penalty because they submitted no evidence that a factual error was made in the RTB finding, that the penalty was miscalculated at RTB or that they used best efforts to file on time. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(b).

Within 10 days of transmittal of the recommendation, thuy may file a written response with the Commission Secretary which may not raise any arguments not raised in their challenge or not directly responsive to the Reviewing Officer's recommendation. 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(f). As of this date, a written response has not been received.

OAR Recommendations

- (1) Adopt the Reviewing Officer recommendation for AF# 2254 involving Yolly Roberson for Congress and Kerlyne Cotard, in her official capacity as Treasurer, in making the final determination;
- (2) Make a final determination in AF# 2254 that Yolly Roberson for Congress and Kerlyne Cotard, in her official capacity as Treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty of \$3,850; and
- (3) Send the appropriate letter.

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)	
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Final Determination Recommendation –)	AF 2254
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as Treasurer (C00464594)	ĺ	

CERTIFICATION

- I, Shawn Woodhead Werth, Secretary and Clerk of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on April 29, 2011, the Commission decided by a vote of 6-0 to take the following actions in AF 2254:
 - 1. Adopt the Reviewing Officer recommendation for AF# 2254 involving Yolly Roberson for Congress and Kerlyne Cotard, in her official capacity as Treasurer, in making the final determination.
 - Make a final determination in AF# 2254 that Yolly Roberson for Congress and Kerlyne Cotard, in her official capacity as Treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty of \$3,850.
 - 3. Send the appropriate letter.

Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

Shawn Woodhead Werth

Secretary and Clerk of the Commission



May 3, 2011

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Kerlyne Cotard, in her official capacity as Treasurer Yolly Roberson for Congress 850 Ives Dairy Road P.O. Hox T-57, #306 North Miami Beach, FL 33179

C00464594 AF# 2254

Dear Ms. Cotard:

On December 15, 2010, the Federal Election Commission ("the Commission") found reason to believe ("RTB") that Yolly Roberson for Congress and you, in your official capacity as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2010 October Quarterly Report. By letter dated December 21, 2010, the Commission sent you notification of the RTB finding that included a civil money penalty calculated at RTB of \$3,850 in accordance with the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. On January 21, 2011, the Office of Administrative Review received your written response, challenging the RTB finding.

The Reviewing Officer reviewed the Commission's RTB finding with its supporting documentation and the written response. Based on this review, the Reviewing Officer recommended that the Commission make a final determination that Yolly Roberson for Congress and you, in your official capacity as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty in the amount of \$3,850 in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. The basis for the Reviewing Officer's recommendation was included in the Final Determination Report, a copy of which was sent to you on March 28, 2011.

On April 29, 2011, the Commission adopted the Reviewing Officer's recommendation and made a final determination that Yolly Roberson for Congress and you, in your official capacity as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assessed a civil money penalty of \$3,850. It is based on the same factors used to calculate the civil money penalty at RTB. A copy of the final determination recommendation is attached.

If You Choose to Appeal the Final Determination and/or Civil Money Penalty

If you choose to appeal the final determination, you should submit a written petition, within 30 days of receipt of this letter, te the district court of the United States for the district in

which the committee or treasurer reside, or transact business, requesting that the final determination be modified or set aside. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(C)(iii). The failure to raise an argument in a timely fashion during the administrative process shall be deemed a waiver of the respondents' right to present such argument in a petition to the district court under 2 U.S.C. § 437g. 11 C.F.R. § 111.38.

If You Choose Not to Pay the Civil Money Penalty and Not to Appeal

Unpaid civil monoy penalties assessed through the Administrative Fine regulations will be subject to the Debt Collection Act of 1982 ("DCA") as amended by the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 ("DCIA"), 31 U.S.C. § 3701 et seq. If you do not pay this debt within 30 days (or file a written petition to a federal district court - see below), the Commission will transfer the debt to the U.S. Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") for collection. Within 5 days of the transfer to Treasury, Treasury will contact the debtor and request payment. Treasury currently charges a fee of 28% of the civil money penalty amount for its collection services. The fee will be added to the amount of the civil money penalty that you owe. Should Treasury's attempts fail, Treasury will refer the debt to a private collection agency ("PCA"). If the debt remains unpaid, Treasury may recommend that the Commission refer the matter to the Department of Justice for litigation.

If You Choose to Pay the Civil Money Penalty

If you should decide to pay the civil money penalty, send the enclosed form and payment to the address on page 3 within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

The confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. The file will be made a part of the public record pursuant to 11 C.F.R. § 111.42(b). Although the file must be placed on the public record within 30 days from the date of the Commission's notification, this could occur at any time foilowing certification of the Commission's vote.

If you have any questions regarding the payment of the civil money penalty, please contact Dayna Brown on our toll free number (800)424-9530 (press 0, then ext. 1660) or (202)694-1660.

On behalf of the Commission,

Cynthia L. Bauerly

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cc: Yolly Roberson, Candidate Attachment

ADMINISTRATIVE FINE PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

In accordance with the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43, the civil money penalty is \$3,850 for the 2010 October Quarterly Report.

This penalty should be paid by check or money order, made payable to the Federal Election Commission. It should be sent by mail to:

Federal Election Commission PO Box 979058 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

If you choose to send your payment by courier or overnight delivery, please use this address:

U.S. Bank - Government Lockbox FEC # 979058 1005 Convention Plaza Attn: Government Lockbox, SL-MO-C2GL St. Louis, MO 63101

The form and payment are due within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

PAYMENTS BY PERSONAL CHECK

Personal checks will be converted into electronic funds transfers (EFTs). Your account will be electronically debited for the amount on the check, usually within 24 hours, and the debit will appear on your regular statement. We will destroy your original check and keep a copy of it. In case the EFT cannot be processed for technical reasons, you authorize us to process the copy in lieu of the original check. Should the EFT not be completed because of insufficient funds, we may try to make the transfer twice.

PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN THE PORTION BELOW WITH YOUR PAYMENT

FOR: Yolly Roberson for Congress

FEC ID#: C00464594

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PAYMENT AMOUNT DUE: \$3,850

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ELECTRONIC CERTIFICATION AGREEMENT FOR DEBTS SUBMITTED TO THE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SERVICE'S <u>CROSS-SERVICING PROGRAM</u>

This Agreement is submitted by: Federal Election Commission

Creditor Agency: Federal Election Commission

Date of Agreement: November 23, 2010

The Creditor Agency agrees that:

- I. This Agreement covers all debts, including updates, changes, and modifications (Debts) submitted by Electronic Transmission on or after the date of this Agreement, by the above-named Creditor Agency (Agency) to the Financial Management Service (FMS), a bureau of the U.S. Department of the Treasury, for collection through FMS's Cross-Servicing Program (Cross-Servicing);
- II. The Agency will submit Debts to Cross-Servicing via Electronic Transmission of "Add Records" or "Update Records," as described in the attached Exhibit A. Each time the Agency submits a Debt via an Add Record or Update Record, the Agency is certifying the Debt;
- III. Any person who submits Debts via an Add Record or Update Record has or will have delegated authority to certify the Debts on behalf of the head of the Agency, and the Agency will provide a copy of this Agreement to any such person;
- IV. By submitting Debts vin an Atld Record or Update Record, the person submitting such Debts is certifying to the U.S. Department of the Treasury, under penalty of perjury pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 5514, 31 U.S.C. § 3716, 31 U.S.C. § 3720A, and 28 U.S.C. § 1746 that, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, the following is true and correct:
 - 1. Valid Debts. The Debts are delinquent, valid and legally enforceable in the amounts stated. The Agency will properly credit collections (other than TOP collections) to the delinquent debtors' accounts and notify FMS of any chance in the amount, validity or legal enforceability of the Debt.
 - 2. No Bar to Collection. The Debts are not subject to any circumstances that legally preclude or bar collection, including collection by offset. There are no foreclosures pending with respect to any collateral securing a Debt. The Agency's records do not show that any debtor owing a Debt has filed for bankruptcy protection. Alternatively, the Agency can clearly establish that any automatic stay has been lifted or is no longer in effect.

- 3. Administrative Offset and Tax Refund Offset. If the Agency has established a profile instructing FMS to refer Debts to the Treasury Offset Program (TOP) on its behalf for the purposes of tax refund and administrative offset, the person submitting such Debts will be certifying to the following:
 - a. The Agency has complied with all of the provisions of 31 U.S.C. § 3716, 31 U.S.C. § 3720A, 31 C.F.R. §§ 285.2 and 285.5, and the Federal Claims Collection Standards (31 C.F.R. Parts 900-904), as may be amended, as well as other statutes, regulations and policies applicable to collection by administrative offset and tax refund offset.
 - b. At least 60 days prior to the date of the certification (i.e., date of Electronic Transmission), the Agency has provided, or made a reasonable attempt to provide in accordance with applicable offset regulations, each debtor with:
 - i written notification, at the debtor's most current known address, of the nature and the amount of the Debt, the intention of the Agency to collect the Debt through administrative offset and tax refund offset, including offset of State payments, and an explanation of the rights of the debtor;
 - ii. an opportunity to inspect and copy the records of the Agency with respect to the Debt;
 - iii. an opportunity for review within the Agency of the determination of the Agency with respect to the Debt, including the opportunity to present evidence that all or part of the Debt is not past-due or legally enforceable; and
 - iv. an opportunity to enter into a written repayment agreement with the Agency
 - c. The Agency has considered any evidence presented by the debtor and determined that the amount of the Debt is past-due and legally enforceable and there are no pending appeals of such determination.
 - d. The Agency has, at minimum, made the following reasonable efforts to obtain payment of the Debt: demanded payment and provided the debtor with the notice and opportunities described in paragraph 3.b.

- e. For Debts outstanding more than ten years on or before

 December 31, 2009, the notice described in paragraph 3.b. was sent to the
 debtor after the Debt was outstanding for more than ten years, and that the
 debtor was afforded the rights described in paragraphs 3.b. 3.d. at that
 time. This requirement does not apply to any Debt that could be collected
 by offset without regard to any time limitation prior to

 December 31, 2009 (e.g., student loans debts, judgments).
- 4. Due Process Compliance for Salary Offset. With respect to the offset of Federal salaries, if the Agency has authorized FMS to set up an agency profile so that all debts are referred to TOP for offset of federal salary payments:
 - a. The Agency has complied with all of the provisions of 5 U.S.C. § 5514, 5 C.F.R. §§ 550.1101-1110, and 31 CFR § 285.7, as may be amended, as well as other statutes, regulations and policies applicable to collection by salary offset.
 - i. The Agency has provided, or made a reasonable attempt to provide, each debtor with the notice, opportunities, and considerations described in paragraphs 3.b., 3.c. and 3.e (if applicable) and the additional notices and opportunities, including the opportunity for waiver consideration and for a hearing, required for salary offset.
- 5. Consumer Reporting Agencies. The Agency has complied with all of the provisions of 31 U.S.C. § 3711(e) and the Federal Claims Collection Standards, as well as other statutes, regulations and policies applicable to the Agency's reporting of delinquent debts to consumer reporting agencies. The Agency has:
 - a. determined that the debts are valid and overdue;
 - b. notified the debtor, more than 60 days prior to the date of the certification:
 - i. that the debt is overdue,
 - ii. that the Agency intends to disclose to a consumer reporting agency that the debtor is responsible for the debt,
 - iii. of the specific information to be disclosed to the consumer reporting agency, and
 - iv. of the debtor's rights to an explanation of the claim, to dispute the information in the Agency's records about the claim, and to

administrative repeal or review of the claim; and

c. upon the request of a debtor, provided for a review of any debtor's claim, including an opportunity for reconsideration of the initial decision on the claim.

In addition, no debtor has repaid or agreed to repay the claim under a signed repayment agreement or filed for review of the claim.

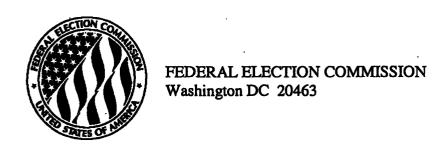
d. Interest and Penalties. The Agency has complied with all of the provisions of 31 U.S.C. § 3717 and the Federal Claims Collection Standards, as well as other statutes, regulations and policies applicable to Agency's assessment of interest, penalties and administrative costs. The Agency has mailed or hand-delivered a written notice to all debtors explaining the Agency's requirements concerning the charges.

CERTIFICATION: Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I certify that I have been delegated authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of the head of my agency.

Dayna C. Brown

Director, Office of Administrative Review

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